

February 20, 2015

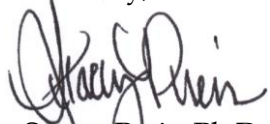
Dear School Administrator:

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Department) has a new partnership agreement with Parents as Teachers National Center (PATNC) that we are excited to share with you. This agreement will support Missouri school district PAT programs in their efforts to provide high quality PAT services. Effective immediately the following changes will impact Missouri school districts.

- At a minimum, all PAT programs operating in Missouri school districts will be identified as Missouri PAT Programs and will receive the benefits and supports provided to Affiliate programs. This will include access to a data management system and renewal fees at the Affiliate cost for parent educators.
- PAT programs already identified as an Affiliate will continue to be identified as Affiliates and will receive the same supports. Affiliate programs will also receive a refund or credit related to the FY15 Affiliation fee. (Please note this refund will not include the parent educator renewal fee.)
- The Department will continue to encourage all programs to work toward affiliation and continue to provide PAT Professional Learning Communities that support quality services.

The Department is committed to supporting school districts in their work with families and parent education. The Department is currently reviewing results of the Regional Roundtable discussions and the PAT Survey completed in January, and we look forward to sharing this information with programs later this spring.

Sincerely,



Stacey Preis, Ph.D.  
Deputy Commissioner  
Division of Learning Services

c: PAT Contact